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In re Patent Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2133

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For: DATA RECORDING/READBACK METHOD AND

DATA RECORDING/READBACK DEVICE FOR THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identfied application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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